

## THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 1887.

## The Care of the Poor.

The double suicide of Charles S. Siedhorf and his wife at Union Hill last week calls attention very forcibly to the needs of the poor, and the terrible effects of clumsy methods of distributing the poor funds. This aged couple, both over ninety years of age, had lived in this place for thirty five years. They had lived happily together for many years when misfortune overtook them. Mr. Siedhorf had been a professor of Heidelberg University, was an accomplished linguist, and was well versed in chemistry.

For some years he had gained a living by keeping a boarding school. Old age and a fondness for invention gradually caused the loss of his scholars, until he became dependent entirely upon his neighbors for assistance.

At last he was told that he must go to the poor-house, where he would be separated from his wife, with whom his life had become second nature. When the poor master arrived to take them away both were found dead from a dose of cyanide of potassium.

It is useless to say that this aged couple were alone responsible for their sad fate. To a certain extent they were, yet society should have protected them from the terrible temptation to which they were exposed. It should not have offered them life so hard as to seem worse than death. A few dollars given them at home would have served to soften their paths to the grave. Christian civilization demands that the feelings of the poor should be respected as much as the cravings of hunger, and the necessity of shelter. The road to the poor-house is still rough and terribly galling to people of fine feeling and quick susceptibilities.

There are difficulties in the way of helping the poor, some of which seem insurmountable. A poor wife with small children is bound for life to a strong hulk of a man, too lazy to work and too intemperate to save. Shall the family suffer for the man's fault? Yet help for the wife and children means help for the lazy brute in men's clothing.

A man is sick and out of work. Large donations will teach him to depend upon others, rob him of his self-respect, and leave him more helpless than before. Carry either family to the poor-house and there they remain for life.

Genuine sympathy, personal knowledge of the circumstances of the poor, and just enough assistance to prevent suffering seems the limit to which charity should go. For after all, the good should be only a prop to the feeble and the weak, and should not assume the burdens of the dissolute and the lazy. In distributing alms personal help and encouragement are quite as valuable as money. The poor need to be taught to work and to save, to rely upon themselves, to work in the best way and to spend economically. In a land of overflowing wealth like this there should be few of the poor, and these should be cared for liberally, and with wise regard to their circumstances, feelings, and even their prejudices. One's feelings are as truly a part of him as his body wants. Let the strong bear cheerfully the burdens of the weak.

## Our City of the Dead.

The annual meeting of the Cemetery lot owners was held Monday afternoon and was poorly attended, not more than a dozen gentlemen being present. The report of the Treasurer showed a remarkable improvement in the financial condition of the Company, the cash balance having increased from \$338.11 last year, to \$1017.30 at present, and this too, without neglecting any necessary expenditure. The property was never in a more satisfactory condition. Mr. Thos. C. Dodd, who has so long and faithfully served as one of the managers, and as secretary and treasurer was, by his own desire, not nominated for re-election. Mr. Horace Dodd was elected to fill this vacancy, and from what we know of his businesslike and methodical habits we have no hesitation in saying that a better man could not have been selected.

At the meeting of the Cemetery Company on Monday, the question of the utility of arbor vitae hedges around the lots was discussed; the general opinion being that the "hedges must go." Mr. Keyler stated that if a conflagration was once started, the evergreens would burn like tinder, and every monument in the Cemetery be destroyed or injured beyond repair. Mr. Keyler is undoubtedly right; it behooves every lot owner to consider this matter carefully, as the power to remove the hedges seems to lie with the owners, not with the managers.

## A Letter from Mr. Gallagher.

To The Citizens:

Two weeks ago I wrote a letter that appeared in your columns headed "The Removal of Westminster Church." As this letter has apparently misunderstood by many of my friends in that church, and, I am sorry to believe, maliciously misrepresented by one or two persons, I take this opportunity to correct the misunderstandings that have arisen, leaving the misrepresentations to take care of themselves.

First: As to the statements of fact contained in the letter: I reiterate them.

Second: As to the motive that prompted the letter: I recognized the fact that development of the region lying between Bloomfield avenue, Bloomfield, and Elm street, Montclair, would inevitably bring a church in the near future, and I believed (whatever the facts may be) that a church at Glen Ridge would weaken Westminster church in numbers at all events. Believing this and seeing nothing particularly sacred in a church site, I argued that the church for its own good should move, not necessarily to Ridgewood avenue but to some intermediate point. This opinion may be a mistaken one, but the letter was written from the standpoint of what would be best for Westminster Church.

Third: As to my right to speak: My friends in Westminster Church who are so fortunate as to live in the centre of Bloomfield must not forget that in the earlier days of Westminster Church it owed some, and not a small part of its success to the labors and financial support of Glen Ridge people. While I may have taken personally a very small part in the work of the Church, I have inherited an interest in Westminster that gives me as good a right to speak of its policy as many who have become connected with the church of late years, and when I proposed that the church be moved to another site, I am not to be looked upon as one who comes to rob Westminster people of their property, but as a joint tenant in the church, advising what should be done with the joint inheritance.

Finally: I am too good an American not to bow to the will of the majority, and if the majority in the church are, as it seems, against the removal, I shall acquiesce in that verdict as readily as the opposite, though I still believe that it is a mistake and that after it is too late, the church will agree with me.

JOSEPH D. GALLAGHER.

## Town Committee.

The regular meeting of the Town Committee was held in the Committee room, on Wednesday evening the 1st inst. Members present, F. S. Benson, R. N. Dodd, W. Freeman.

Owing to the absence of the regular Chairman, Mr. F. S. Benson acted as Chairman, pro tem.

A number of bills for police services were presented to the Committee for payment.

Bills for provisions, and other materials furnished to the poor were presented.

A bill for repairing implements used on road work, was referred to Road Committee.

Mr. R. N. Dodd, representing the Cemetery Co., requested that Constable John Smith be appointed special Constable over the Cemetery grounds.

Committee informed him that action in this matter would have to be taken by a full board, and it was deferred until such time.

A petition praying that the Town Committee accept as a public highway the street known as Windsor Place was granted.

An animated discussion was carried on with regard to some other streets which the Committee had been petitioned to accept some time ago, and the Acting Chairman expressed the opinion that the Township ought not to accept any street, unless the grade had been properly established.

A resolution was offered that bicycle riding on the sidewalks, in the Park, and fast driving through the streets on Sunday be prohibited. Considerable discussion ensued in regard to that clause relating to the Park, and it was finally agreed to strike it out.

The following petitions were received. W. G. Farrington, for stone sidewalk on Montgomery street; J. G. Batzle, for stone sidewalk on Bloomfield avenue. Referred to Sidewalk Committee.

In the Camden Circuit Court Judge Parker has ordered a non-suit in the case of J. Hampton Moore against the West Jersey Railroad to recover damages for being put off a train when the agent at Woodbury stated the ticket was good. The conductor, however, refused to accept it, saying the time for which it was issued had expired. Judge Parker said the company was not liable for information given by their employees.

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